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SUBJECT: ALPHA HELIX EXPEDITION- PHASE VII

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1. REPLY TO EMBASSY'S NOTE DESCRIBED REF (B) WAS RECEIVED  
TODAY AFTER REPEATED PRODDING OF FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL  
CONCERNED.

2. TEXT OF REPLY IN INFORMAL TRANSLATION IS AS FOLLOWS:  
TEH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS  
TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICAN, AND WITH  
REFERENCE TO THE EMBASSY'S NOTE VERBALE NO.6080 DATED  
DECEMBER 22, 1976, REGARDING THE SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION,  
ALPHA HELIX, WISHES TO STATE THAT THE INTERINSTITUTIONAL  
SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE, A CONSULTANT TO THIS MINISTRY,  
AFTER STUDYING THE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THIS MINISTRY  
AND THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HAS  
EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT NOT ALL OF THE REQUISITES  
HAVE BEEN MET. THESE REQUISITES ARE AS FOLLOWS:  
PHASE I - ITEM (B) - THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN  
RELATIONS AND THE PORT AND MARITIME AUTHORITY HAVE  
NOT RECEIVED THE DETAILED REPORTS OF THE RESEARCH  
COMPLETED IN COLOMBIAN TERRITORY, NOR COPIES OF  
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THE RESULTS OF SUCH RESEARCH. THESE DOCUMENTS SHOULD  
BE SENT TO THEM TOGETHER WITH ANNEXES INCLUDING  
THE 9 TRACK AND 1600 OR 800 BPI MAGNETIC TAPES.  
PHASE II - ITEM (A) - SINCE THE REQUISITES OF  
PHASE I, ITEM (B) HAVE NOT BEEN FULFILLED, THE  
NUMBER OF COLOMBIAN PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR NAMES  
CANNOT BE DETERMINED. THE NOMINATION OF PARTICIPANTS

CANNOT BE MADE UNTIL THESE DETAILED REPORTS ARE SUBMITTED TO THIS MINISTRY FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE RESPECTIVE INSTITUTIONS. ITEM(C) - THE INFORMATION DELINEATING THE WORKING ZONE IN WHICH ARE RESEARCH WILL BE PERFORMED HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD BE DELINEATED BY MAP ON A SCALE THAT WILL ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS CONCERNED TO DETERMINE, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, THE EXACT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS TO BE COVERED. PHASE VII - ITEM (A) - APPLICABLE TO THIS ITEM IS THAT MENTIONED IN ITEM (A) OF PHASE II. ITEMS (B) AND (C) - THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES HAS EXPRESSED ITS AGREEMENT WITH THESE ITEMS. HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE JUDGES IT NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH THOSE MECHANISMS WHEREBY THE EXPEDITION WILL GUARANTEE, THROUGH THE EMBASSY, COMPLIANCE WITH THIS AGREEMENT. ITEM (D) - THE INVENTORY REFERRED TO MUST CONSIST OF THE DELIVERY OF ALL BOTANICAL AND ZOOLOGICAL SPECIMENS TO THE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE OF RENEWABLE RESOURCES AND TO THE SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE OF THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT LEGISLATION. THESE SPECIMENS SHOULD BE DELIVERED THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS. POINT 4. GENERAL REQUISITES - ITEM (A) - IT IS THE COMMITTEE'S JUDGEMENT THAT THE ETHNOBIOLOGICAL STUDIES DISCUSSED IN PHASE VII ARE OF NECESSITY RELATED TO THE INDIAN POPULATION WITH RESPECT TO FOLKLORE, FOLKLORIC MEDICINE, FEEDING HABITS, AND CUSTOMS

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UTILIZING TOXIC PLANTS. THEREFORE, RESOLUTION 626 BIS OF 1973 OF THE COLOMBIAN INSTITUTE OF CULTURE IS PERTINENT AND MUST BE COMPLIED WITH. CONSEQUENTLY, THE ABOVE MENTIONED REQUISITES MUST BE PROMPTLY MET IN ORDER TO MAKE THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE APHA HELIX EXPEDITION. THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ITS EXPRESSIONS OF DISTINGUISHED RESPECT.

3. REFERENCES IN NOTE ARE TO LETTER OF APRIL 22, 1976 FROM MINISTRY SETTING OUT REQUIREMENTS. DEPARTMENT WILL NOTE THAT GOC CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY STATED REQUIREMENTS NOT FULFILLED WITH RESPECT TO (A) PROVIDING COMPLETE REPORTS AND RESULTS OF PHASE I. (B) PROVIDING INFORMATION AND MAPS SHOWING THE EXACT AREA OF THE EXPEDITION WORK REGARDING PHASE II AND VII. (C) AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE DUPLICATES OF ALL BOTANICAL AND ZOOLOGICAL

SPECIMENS COLLECTED.

4. FURTHERMORE, AND MOST IMPORTANT, THE CLAIM  
CONCERNING NON-ANTHROPOLOGICAL NATURE OF PHASE  
VII IS REJECTED AND RESOLUTION 626 BIS OF 1973  
IS MADE APPLICABLE.

5. EMBASSYS SEEKING CLARIFICATION OF CERTAIN  
UNCLEAR PARTS IN NOTE.  
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